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States Press 'Improvements' As Trump Readies EO To Speed CWA Permits

As President Donald Trump prepares to issue an executive order aimed at limiting state Clean Water Act (CWA) reviews of federally permitted pipelines, state environmental regulators are poised to meet with federal officials to push their plan for "process improvements" that would speed the reviews without limiting state authority.

Wheeler Faults States' Criticism Of EPA's PFAS Action Plan As 'Inaccurate'

EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler is strongly rejecting state regulators' criticism of the Trump administration's action plan targeting per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), saying their recent letter criticizing the plan includes "inaccurate" statements, such as that the plan fails to address the contaminants broadly as a class.

Regulators Optimistic Truck Makers Can Limit NOx Without Increasing GHGs

EPA, California and industry officials are expressing greater optimism that truck makers can implement strategies for curbing nitrogen oxides (NOx) without degrading fuel economy and boosting greenhouse gases, as both EPA and the state begin developing stricter NOx controls for heavy-duty trucks.

Suit Tests EPA's Ability To Avoid Adding New HAPs To Air Toxics Rules

Environmental groups in a new legal filing are challenging EPA's discretion to avoid setting new limits for previously unregulated hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) for an industry when the agency reviews the sector's remaining air toxics risks, arguing that EPA has violated the Clean Air Act by refusing to set such new limits for pulp mills.

CARB Eyes Cap On LCFS Credit Prices, Expanded Cost Containment Tool

California air board officials are floating a "concept" proposal that would set a first-time cap on low-carbon fuel standard (LCFS) credit prices and expand a cost-containment mechanism, in response to concerns that prices may soar to the point where state lawmakers could suspend the high-profile greenhouse gas reduction program.

EPA Agrees To Weigh State Requests To Align Audit Policy But Doubts Need

A senior EPA official says the agency will consider state requests for pacts allowing new oil and gas facility owners that comply with voluntary state audit programs to also qualify for penalty relief under a recently issued federal policy, though the official said EPA's past enforcement history makes such agreements largely unnecessary.

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GOP cites Trump losses as reason to confirm judge picks

The adverse rulings show "why it's important for him to move forward with putting judges in place who understand their role is not to make the law but to interpret the law," says Sen. Steve Daines (R-MT).

Appeals court poised to weigh waste rule exclusion

The court is reviewing the lawfulness of EPA's transfer-based exclusion (TBE), which exempts third-party recyclers of hazardous secondary material from stringent RCRA regulation.

California sues to obtain vehicle GHG rollback data

The state is seeking underlying data on an array of issues related to EPA and the Transportation Department's vehicle greenhouse gas and fuel economy rule rollback.

Ewire: Trump slated to announce pipeline order

In today's Ewire: Many expect the measure to curtail states' Clean Water Act authority to block projects due to their effects on water quality.

Democrats urge action on clean energy tax incentives

The lawmakers say the Trump administration's rollbacks of EPA climate rules creates the need for new incentives to bolster clean energy technologies.

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